IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS SHERMAN DIVISION

§ In re: § § SAIBABA HOTELS, LLC, § Case No. 23-40703 7417 HIDDEN COVE LANE § Chapter 11 FRISCO, TX 75034 δ EIN xxxx5240 § § Debtor.

JOINT MOTION OF DEBTOR SAIBABA HOTELS, LLC, RAMAKRISHNA KROTHAPALLI, AND CREDITOR COUTURE HOTEL CORPORATION TO DISMISS CHAPTER 11 CASE

14-DAY NEGATIVE NOTICE - LBR 1017(b):

Your rights may be affected by the relief sought in this pleading. You should read this pleading carefully and discuss it with your attorney, if you have one in this bankruptcy case. If you oppose the relief sought by this pleading, you <u>must</u> file a written objection, explaining the factual and/or legal basis for opposing the relief.

No hearing will be conducted on this Motion unless a written objection is filed with the Clerk of the United States Bankruptcy Court and served upon the party filing this pleading <u>WITHIN FOURTEEN (14) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF SERVICE</u> shown in the certificate of service unless the Court shortens or extends the time for filing such objection. If no objection is timely served and filed, this pleading shall be deemed to be unopposed, and the Court may enter an order granting the relief sought. If an objection is filed and served in a timely manner, the Court will thereafter set a hearing with appropriate notice. If you fail to appear at the hearing, your objection may be stricken. The Court reserves the right to set a hearing on any matter.

NOW COMES Saibaba Hotels, LLC (the "<u>Debtor</u>"), the Debtor and Debtor-in-Possession, in the above styled and numbered case (the "<u>Bankruptcy Case</u>"), party in interest Ramakrishna Krothapalli ("Krothapalli"), and creditor Couture Hotel Corporation ("Couture") and file this Joint

Motion to Dismiss Chapter 11 Case (the "Motion to Dismiss") pursuant to Bankruptcy Code § 1112(b), and would respectfully show the Court as follows:

I. PROCEDURAL AND FACTUAL BACKGROUND

- 1. The Debtor filed a voluntary petition on April 24, 2023, under Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.
 - 2. On May 24, 2023, Couture filed Proof of Claim No. 7. See Claim 7-1.
- 3. On July 20, 2023, the Debtor and Krothapalli filed objections to Couture's proof of claim. *See* Docket Nos. 45 and 46.
 - 4. On July 24, 2023, the Debtor filed its Plan of Reorganization. See Docket No. 47.
- 5. On July 28, 2023, the Court entered an Order Setting Plan Related Deadlines and Hearing on Confirmation. *See* Docket No. 49.
- 6. In related but separate proceedings, the Debtor, Krothapali, and Couture have been engaged in litigation, removal, remand, and transfer proceedings. On July 20, 2023, Krothapalli removed the case previously pending in the 68th Judicial District Court of Dallas County Texas (the "State Court")¹ to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas. Krothapalli subsequently filed a Motion for Transfer to the Eastern District of Texas. On August 3, 2023, Couture filed a Motion for Remand and subsequently filed a Motion to Enforce the Order of Reference to Bankruptcy Court. Krothapalli has not yet responded to the Remand Motion and Couture has not yet responded to the Transfer Motion. On August 19, 2022, the parties jointly filed a Motion to Abate the case pending in the Northern District until November

¹ Couture Hotel Corporation v. Saibaba Hotels, LLC, et. al, Cause No. DC-19-05050.

- 1, 2023, so the parties could attend mediation. The court entered the Agreed Order on Joint Motion to Abate on August 22, 2023.
- 7. In this case, on August 19, 2023, the Debtor, Krothapalli, and Couture filed a Joint Motion for Continuance and Entry of Schedule Order on Confirmation and Claim Objections to Claim No. 7, which the Court granted on August 23, 2023.
- 8. As of October 28, 2023, the Debtor, Krothapalli and Couture have been able to resolve the disputes among them through mediation with the Hon. Harlin D. Hale (Ret.), including regarding plan confirmation and allowance and treatment of Proof of Claim No. 7. The parties executed a settlement agreement on January 12, 2024 (the "Settlement Agreement"). The Settlement Agreement does not affect any other parties or creditors of the Debtor.

II. RELIEF REQUESTED AND BASIS FOR RELIEF

- 9. The Debtor seeks dismissal of this case pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1112(b).
- 10. The Bankruptcy Code provides that the Court shall, after notice and hearing, dismiss a Chapter 11 case "for cause" where doing so is in the best interests of the creditors and the estate. 11 U.S.C. § 1112(b)(1); see Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1017(a).
- 11. Dismissal of this Chapter 11 case would be in the best interests of the creditors and the estate. This case was originally filed after years of litigation between the Debtor, Krothapalli, and Couture in the State Court case. While there are other creditors, Couture's claim is by far the largest, and the Settlement Agreement resolves the issues among the parties.
- 12. The Settlement Agreement efficiently resolves all disputes between the Debtor and Couture, making this bankruptcy case no longer necessary. The dismissal here is voluntary,

agreed upon by the largest creditor to the estate, approved by the second largest creditor of the estate, and will not prejudice any other creditors.

III. NOTICE

13. The Debtor will provide notice of this Motion to Dismiss to the following: (a) the U.S. Trustee; (b) the Subchapter V Trustee (c) counsel for Couture (d) any party who has filed a request for notice in the above-captioned case; and (e) all parties shown on the attached Matrix Service List.

WHEREFORE, the Debtor, Krothapalli, and Couture respectfully request entry of an order granting the relief requested herein, and granting such other and further relief as may be just.

Respectfully submitted,

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The undersigned counsel herby certifies that true and correct copies of the foregoing pleading and all attachments were served upon all parties listed below in accordance with applicable rules of bankruptcy procedure on this **12th day of January, 2024**. Where possible, service was made electronically via the Court's ECF noticing system or via facsimile transmission where a facsimile number is set forth below. Where such electronic service was not possible, service was made via regular first-class mail.

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